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Salt Lake City, Utah 84119

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Mr. Russell C. Feller A & R Leasing, L.L.C. 688 East Chad Ranch Road Veyo, Utah 84782

Dear Mr. Feller:

On August 11, 1997 this office received your Notice to conduct mining activities on your Glacial Green #1 mining claim located in T. 13 N., R. 13 W., Section 8 (UMC 361374). In that Notice, you stated that "present plans do not envision the need for or storage of toxic material on the project (within the project area)." In a Notice of Intent submitted to the Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining on August 14, 1997, you made a similar statement that "no construction of facilities or structures or storage of supplies at the mine site is anticipated."

During a recent inspection of your Glacial Green #1 mining claim, it was found that you have brought a 55-gallon barrel of "heavy motor oil" and small hand-pump onto the mining claim area without authorization from the Bureau of Land Management (BLM). The barrel of oil has been knocked over and now rests on its side adjacent to the edge of your waste dump. Although motor oil is not currently leaking from the barrel, it could begin leaking at any time through natural causes or as a result of target shooting or other vandalism in the claim area. As the mining claimant, you would be ultimately responsible for any required clean up of spilled oil and for the removal of any contaminated rock or soil resulting from your negligence, including spills onto your waste dump.

Within 15 days of receipt of this letter, you must completely remove the barrel of motor oil from your mining claim area. If you fail to remove the barrel within the time specified, we will consider you to be in noncompliance with regulations at 43 CFR 3809, and you will be issued a Noncompliance Order.

As described at 43 CFR 3809.601, if you fail to timely comply with a Noncompliance Order, the BLM may issue you a Suspension Order or an Enforcement Order, either of which could require that you cease or suspend all operations in the project area until your operation is in compliance. If an Enforcement Order is issued and you fail to correct the violation(s) within the time

specified, BLM may nullify your Notice. If your Notice is nullified, you will not be permitted to conduct operations on the Public Lands in the project area except for reclamation and other measures specified by the BLM.

If you have any questions, or require additional information, please feel free to contact Michael Ford of my staff at (801) 977-4360.

Sincerely,

/S/ MICHAEL G. NELSON

Michael G. Nelson Associate Field Manager Non-Renewable Resources

cc: D. Wayne Hedberg; Utah Division of Oil, Gas and Mining Utah State Office (UT-935)